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**STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY**

**Reference AO (JP 2002-140439) on Form PTO-1449:**

The purpose of the invention is to provide a method and device for automatically providing a report on medical imaging devices.

In order to achieve the above purpose, examination processing information is automatically acquired from one or more medical imaging devices, and the data are automatically transmitted to an analysis center, and a useful report is automatically provided to a customer.

A certain kind of report may contain the information about the recommendation track record or the actual track record of the diagnostic system, for example, the practice recommended, a system throughput, the solution of productivity, a system operating ratio, a product support, training, an operator's track record, and others further.

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